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Vanderbilt SAE's Present "True Gentleman" Award To Academy

Richard Felker, president of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity at Vanderbilt University, presented MBA with the newly created "True Gentleman" award in a recent Academy assembly.

Any member of the Senior class is eligible for this trophy. Nominations for the "True Gentleman" will be made by members of the Senior class and the final decision will be made by the faculty. The winner's name will be engraved on the trophy and he will receive a special plaque at Commencement.

With the S. A. E. trophy the school received a framed definition of a true gentleman: "The true gentleman is the man whose conduct proceeds from good will and an acute sense of propriety, and whose self-control is equal to all emergencies; who does not make the poor man conscious of his poverty, the obscure man of his obscurity, or any man of his inferiority or deformity; who is himself humble if necessity compels him to humble another; who does not falter before wealth, cringe before power, or boast of his own possessions or achievements; who speaks with frankness, but always with sincerity and sympathy; whose deed follows his word; who thinks of the rights and feelings of others rather than his own, and who appears well

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Maroon Declaimers Prep For Annual Speech Contest

In preparation for the yearly school declamation contest, some twenty MBA students are today busily memorizing speeches.

This contest, which will be held in the latter part of March, is to determine the three students who will receive the oratory medals awarded each year at graduation exercises. A winner is selected from the Junior school, Freshman-Sophomore, and Junior-Senior classes. From these three, one is chosen to represent the school in the Mid-South Declamation Contest at Vanderbilt. All schools in the Mid-South area are represented in this competition.

MBA has ranked well in this contest for the past several years, placing its representative in one of the top three positions. Last year Academy representative Harold Bauer tied for first place but lost out in a draw for winner.

The Freshman Representative



MISS DEDE BULLARD

This month the Freshman class presents, with understandable pride, its representative for the school year 1950, Miss Dede Bullard.

Brown-eyed and brunette, Dede is a native of Nashville, having been born here on April 15, 1935. She attended Parmer School and graduated from there in 1949. Taking the regular Freshman course at Ward-Belmont, she maintains a high scholastic rank in her class; she also takes part in the activities of the school Ecovasin Club in which she holds membership.

She engages in many activities outside of school; swimming and tennis hold her fancy of sports, while she is equally busy with the going-on of the S.A.E. Club in which she is a member. She resides with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. George N. Bullard, on Chickering Road. She is a member of St. George's Chapel.

I know that the Freshman class is indeed honored to have Dede as its representative.

Next month the Sophomores will present their choice for class representative.

Alan Cooper

Informal Barbecue Scheduled For M. B. A. Grads May 11; Alumni Group May Result



Four members of the Ladies' Auxiliary check a few of the hundreds of Maroon graduates to be invited to the alumni barbecue May 11. Seen here, l. to r., are: Auxiliary President Mrs. David Adams, Mrs. Neeley Coble, Mrs. William F. Carpenter, and Mrs. M. F. McDaniel.

Alumni News

MBA Grads Set Top College Record

By CARL GATES

In this issue of the Bell Ringer I would like to devote the Alumni News to statistics concerning Academy graduates over a span of the past four years.

Of all the boys who have entered college in the past four years 95.1% of the 569 classes taken have been passed. Of the 131 graduates from MBA, 126 have entered college. During the past year of 195 courses taken, there were only seven failures for 96.4%. In 1948, of 140 courses taken, there were six courses failed for a 95.7%. In 1947, of 90 courses taken, six were failed for a 93.3%. In 1946 there were 112 courses with six failures for a 94.6%.

This definite decrease in college failures over the past four years shows the great improvement brought about by the faculty in its attempt to raise the scholastic standing of the school.

Since most of our alumni have entered Vanderbilt, let us look more closely at the record they have established there. The 77 Maroon graduates at Vanderbilt in the last four years have taken 315 courses with only 18 failures for 95.1%. In 1946 there were six failures in 72 classes for 91.7%; in 1947—six in 84, 92.7%; in 1948—four in 69, 94.2%; and the class of 1949 has compiled an amazing record of only two failures in 90 courses for a 97.8%. Any Academy alumnus should be justly proud of the record he and his class have made.

At the United States Naval Academy, Tom McEwen, class of '47, has set a pace toward which every student should aim. In his class of approximately 900 students, Tom is sixth in mathematics and eighth in marine engineering.

Bottom O' the Afternoon

By BLUE LARUE

So you thought the first term was hard? Stick around, dreamer.

The second term started off with a bang . . . some hoodlum put a firecracker in

Mr. Sager's cigar . . . rumor has it that guilty party was Bad Boy Knox . . . Tiger Hackman was named accomplice . . . Maneuvers for World War III are being held at Willa's house every Saturday night . . . several respected officers in Wildcat's army were taken away by a group of men in blue uniforms . . . Oilers in good shape for Blind School game . . . Hook Shot Gibbs star of intramurals . . . Hawkins to referee coming sorority basketball games . . . Templeton to play . . . Joe (let me smell the cork next) Loser and Lew Wood have been leading a high life lately . . . Junior class takes up collection to buy Ray new razor . . . Smokers Club reorganized . . . Rolfe applies for membership . . . fails to make the grade . . . branded by Grand-Potentate

Moates as sub-novice . . . Stone gets new car . . . guided missile hits Woodmont area . . . Hideous smell nearly causes school holiday . . . Puryear claims to know origin, says "I caught wind of it somehow" . . .

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Ladies Auxiliary, Students Sponsor First Grad Meet

Months of roll book checking by hard-working members of the Ladies' Auxiliary are due to pay off for all MBA at the informal Academy alumni barbecue on Thursday, May 11. Following the dinner, returning graduates will meet at 7 p.m. to discuss possibilities of a Maroon Alumni Association.

First item for the Alumni Day will be a series of tennis matches and a baseball game now being planned by Coach Allen. The barbecue and after dinner meeting will then follow.

All MBA graduates, along with their families, are invited to this first alumni get-together in modern Academy history. Student reception committees will welcome returning grads and show them to the registration book. After this "sign-in", name cards will be made out and distributed.

Jointly sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary and the MBA student body, the Alumni Day has been in preparation for months and has called for a tremendous amount of name and address checking. A sincere thanks goes to the Ladies' Auxiliary and to Auxiliary President Mrs. David Adams for their efforts in behalf of the school.

In their research Auxiliary members found that the oldest living alumnus is Mr. Henry Sudekum, a student at the Academy from 1867 to 1870. Longest family connection comes down to Dick Bransford, a junior at MBA now. Bransford's great-grandfather, Mr. J. M. Dickinson, was a student at Montgomery Bell from 1870 to 1872 and was subsequently Secretary of War under President Taft.

News Briefs

Mr. Armistead Speaks At Academy

Mr. George Armistead, former Nashville Banner editor and a prominent historian, tied the 146 years of MBA history with the rich chronicles of Tennessee's heritage for Academy students, Tuesday, February 7.

Starting with iron maker Montgomery Bell, Mr. Armistead traced Maroon background from the days of Western Military Institute to the present time. He then outlined high points and important figures in Tennessee history, stressing the Volunteer State's output of great personages to the nation.

Maroons See War Film Series

A trio of documentary war films, procured by Mr. Harvey Frost, has been shown in recent Academy assembly programs.

In order, the movies were "The Battle of the Pacific," history of the Pacific campaign from Pearl Harbor to V-J Day; "The Battle of Britain," Naxidom's ill-fated effort to bomb Britain into submission; and "The Fleet That Came to Stay," story of the capture of Okinawa.

Key Club Sponsors Honor Room Dance

Under President Lem Stevens the MBA branch of the Key Club International gave a second 1950 dance in the Academy Honor Room, Friday evening, March 17.

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Spring—An Athletic Blank?

For longer than anyone can remember and for some reason no one knows, football and basketball have completely dominated the interscholastic sports scene. It's only right that we should be proud of our football and basketball teams here at MBA; with the football team finishing its season unbeaten and with the basketball team advancing farther in the prep tournaments any other MBA team ever has, 1949-1950 has been, athletically speaking, a wonderful school year for us up till now. The question is—what will it be from now on? As we all know, student support is valuable to the success of any team representing the school. Of course, we don't have cheerleaders for baseball, tennis, golf; they'd be out of place. And a cheering mob (except at baseball games) would be out of place too. The kind of support we need for these "minor" sports is this: show the teams that we're proud of them when they win, that we appreciate their efforts when they lose; show other schools by our presence at baseball games and by refraining from making fun of our teams, that we're solidly behind our boys who play golf, tennis, and baseball, as well as those who played football and basketball.

An Easy But Obnoxious Pastime

Knocking is one of the easiest things in the world to do. It only takes a thimbleful of brains. And it is the cheapest and easiest way to attract attention. But it is a mighty expensive amusement. Everybody hates a knocker. And by and by everybody is afraid of him.

No man ever got very high by pulling other people down. The intelligent merchant does not knock his competitors. The sensible worker does not knock those who work with him. Don't knock your friends. Don't knock your enemies. Don't knock yourself.

However you may feel, don't allow yourself to say cutting things. Speak pleasantly of everybody whether you are pleasantly disposed or not.

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Personality
of the Month

by Mack Dixon



MORRIS FERGUSON

The Bell Ringer's selection as the outstanding personality for this month is big, easy-going, likeable Morris Ferguson. Fergie is a true example of the fine scholar and equally fine athlete.

Entering MBA as a sophomore, he immediately embarked upon his athletic career, starting at tackle for Coach Hackman's once-defeated Bee team of that year. The following year his teaming with John Roberts on the varsity gave the Big Red the best balanced tackles in the city and was a major factor in the winning of the AA championship. Following up the football season, Fergie made the varsity basketball squad with his head one hander his specialty.

This year big Morris reached the peak of his prep school athletic career, again starting for the Maroons. Reporting in the best condition of his career, he was a marked man for opposing linemen, and his steady, rugged play earned him a unanimous All-City selection. Fergie again made the basketball squad, setting out the games until his overdue pants arrived.

Morris has just as fine a scholastic record as in the athletic field, being a regular member of the privileged group and continually standing in the upper third of his class.

Add to all these accomplishments a likeable personality, a wonderful sense of humor, and a willingness to help out in any problem and it can readily be seen why Big Fergie is Personality of the Month.

Likes and dislikes:
Favorite subject—math
Hardest subject—English
Most-hated subject—English
Easiest subject—history
Favorite food—Spaghetti and meatballs
Most-hated food—Liver
Favorite Sport—Football
Favorite comic strip—L'il Abner
Favorite Actress—Ingrid Bergman.

MTHSPA Meets At
North High School

Mid-state high school editors met en masse January 14 at North High for the first 1950 session of the Middle Tennessee High School Press Association. MBA was represented by BELL RINGER editor Dick Cantrell.

Featured on the program were a trio of speakers from the newspaper world. Banner police reporter John Meany talked first on the newspaper business from the police beat angle. He told of the sweet and the sour and stressed it was not the romantic existence as portrayed by Alan Ladd.

Professor S. L. McGee, foreign language head and newspaper advisor at T.P.I., spoke next on paper make-up. Using the Louisville Courier-Journal as an example, Professor McGee explained new make-up trends and their high school application.

Final speaker was Banner columnist Milton Randolph, who urged originality and individualism in newspaper work. As Mr. Randolph phrased it, "Put the flag upside down if you think it will help".

Our Historic, Heroic, Humorous Past

by John Adams

It was a Saturday morning in 1925, about ten o'clock. Mamie had just finished ironing Mr. Ball's white shirts when it happened. The main building was on fire. The fire spread fast and was soon out of control. So fast in fact did it go that very little was saved. Lost were school records, pictures, trophies, Mr. Ball's white shirts—everything.

What was this old building like? It was much like its replacement on the exterior, but somewhat different inside. The kitchen was where the dining room is now, and Mamie sent the food up to the dining room, where the Honor Room is, on a dumb-waiter. The stairs were winding, forming a kind of rotunda in the middle of the building. From the top of this rotunda Mamie said she "use to look down on school dances."

After the fire, classes were held in the new Science Building and in Mr. Ball's house, between the football field and Main Building, about where the concessions stand is now located. Meals were cooked and served by Mamie in Mr. Ball's garage, which was opposite where Mr. Sager's house is. This garage also contained the only showers on the campus.

Soon after the present building was finished disaster struck again. Mr. Ball's house caught fire. The student body turned out and formed a bucket-brigade, but their gallant effort was not enough. The house burned, although almost everything in it was saved.

The favorite food of this period was a meat loaf dish called "chicks", a name inspired by the old gray mule that Mamie's husband kept to plow the plot of ground where the Sloan house is now located.

My thanks to Coach, Mrs. A., and Mamie for this information.

Pan-Hellenics Give
Spring Dance Dates

Nashville's prep school Pan-Hellenic fraternities and sororities recently announced dates for the near spring dances. The schedule as given to the Council is as follows:

Friday, March 24—Kappa Delta Theta sorority.
Friday, March 31—Delta Gamma Beta sorority.
Thursday, April 6—Delta Sigma fraternity.
Friday, April 14—Delta Eta Sigma sorority.
Friday, April 21—Alpha Chi fraternity.
Friday, April 28—Kappa Phi fraternity.
Friday, May 5—Sigma Pi Omega fraternity.
Friday, May 12—Sigma Alpha Delta fraternity.

If you smash 'em up . . .

Bring 'em to Us . . .

News Briefs

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Academy Hears
Music Programs

A series of musical programs has been a feature of recent MBA assemblies.

Planned by pianist Eddie Deck, these programs have so far included several songs by Mrs. Harry Wilk with vocals by Bob Wilk; two religious songs by Hillsboro music head Mrs. D. J. Johns, accompanied by Miss Margie Gowen of Hillsboro; and the lives of George Gershwin and Stephen Foster—sung by Eddie Deck, narration by Dick Cantrell.

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Academy center Stirton Oman tips for two points over the outstretched arms of Mt. Juliet star Tom Marshall. Number six, on Oman's back, is Juliet center Cummings; number four, watching from the side, is Buddie Lannon; while number three, Hamblen, comes up for a possible rebound. MBA won the game by a 44-43 count.

Maroon Highlights

by Jim Brent

After finishing a season such as '49-'50 has been in both football and basketball, the question of how this year's teams stack up with those of past years naturally comes up. The answer: in 1949-'50, MBA's combined football-basketball record is 35-5, third best since Coach Allen arrived in 1934 to take charge of MBA's athletic program. The most successful year? 1938-'39, when Lewis Lyne, Phil Cutchin, and Tommy Owen led the Maroon gridders to a 9-0 season and then sparked that season's Big Red cage outfit, which wound up with a 22-2 record.

Last year's football and basketball teams together rolled up a 30-3 record for the second best overall performance during Coach Allen's tenure. Nevertheless, this year's teams, together with last year's, have recorded the best won-lost mark over a two-year span of any teams produced by Allen in consecutive years.

Although baseball is, at this writing, several weeks off, a quick glance at the returnees gives MBA's diamond fans some cause for optimism about the coming season. The boys counted on to supply offensive punch are Charley Hawkins and Jimmy Ray, who will pitch and play the infield, respectively, while the Maroons are in the field. Jack Leech, back at MBA after a year at Litton, is slated to catch, while Francis Horn is back as an infielder-outfielder from last year's team. Charley McDaniel and Somers Randolph, two more infielders, will also be playing their second year as Maroons, to give Coach Allen a nucleus of capable veterans around which to build a team for 1950.

During the District and Regional basketball tournaments recently, MBA students really made the rafters ring—an abrupt about face from the slim crowds and listless cheering of the regular season. Coach wasn't the only one who "nearly fell through the floor"; the team really appreciated the support too.

Compliments of A Friend

Maroons Climax Cage Season With City Title, Lose To Jackets In Regionals

The Big Red clinched the unofficial Interscholastic League title by decisioning the Hume-Fogg Blue Devils, 57-37, on MBA's court. It was a very satisfactory victory for the Red as Hume-Fogg had clipped them in the season's first game. The scoring was evenly divided for the contest, with Bill Coble taking honors with 16, Hawkins close behind with 13, and Oman and Fox following up with 12 each.

In a post-season game played at East High School the Big Red's tournament hopes were rudely jolted by the Eagles as they fell, 47-33.

Fox and Coble were the only Maroons who could seem to hit the bucket consistently, dropping in 11 and 9 points respectively. Earl Chance, flashy East forward, hit for 15 points to lead the night's scoring parade.

A pre-tournament round-robin held in the Ryan gym provided MBA followers with a few thrills as the Maroons conquered Mt. Juliet and West on two successive nights by one point margins. The narrow loss by the Jackets cost them the service of big Tom Marshall for several days, as he went out with a sprained ankle. The final score of this game was 44-43, and West fell by a 41-40 count. The Maroons appeared to be in good shape for the coming second district tourney, in which they were first seeded.

Big Red Edged In Regional Series

The Big Red won—the Big Red lost. That was the short but unhappy story of the Regional tournament. In the opener Bill Coble, Stirton Oman, and Carl Gates combined in the point-making to give MBA as convincing 53-40 victory over Central High of Nashville. The Tornado held the scoring close the first three quarters, but MBA height and shooting accuracy paid off in the final eight minutes as they gradually pulled away.

Overcoming MBA leads that amounted to as much as twelve points during the first half, Springfield's Yellow Jackets dropped the Maroons from the regional tourney with a 39-35 victory. The Red built up a 15-4 first period lead as they hit six of fourteen field goal attempts while holding the Jackets to a single crip. The Maroons cooled off considerably during the second period, and Springfield pulled up to 21-16 at half-time. Late in the third quarter the score was 23-23, and then Springfield went ahead. The baskets alternated for several minutes until with four

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Netters Prep For Curtain Raiser

MBA's tennis team, led by State Junior Champion Inman Fox, will open its 1950 season here on April 11 with Durlington Academy of Rome, Georgia. This year the Maroon netters will be shooting for their sixth straight Nashville prep tennis championship against some of the best opposition they've had in several years: Lipscomb, led by the Bradshaws, Bill and Ben; Dupont, with Amos Jarman; Litton, whose squad is packed with top-flight players. Some of the toughest outfits the Maroons will run into while away from home are Clarksville High, Castle Heights, C.M.A., Sewanee, and Baylor of Chattanooga, as well as Darlington.

Coach Rule is relying on co-captains Fox and Fontaine McDaniel, along with Sambo Harvell, to lead his '50 team. Boys who'll probably be trying for the other places in the starting lineup are Jay Johns, Floyd Howell, Cary McNelly, Bobby Hackman, Billy Bryan, and George Smart.

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Wood Quintet Wins Annual Intramural

Slapping a 44 to 38 defeat on George Williams' quint, Captain Lew Wood's unbeaten intramural team copped the Junior-Senior division title in the play-off game of the annual Key Club tournament. The Woodmen, undefeated and never even slightly pushed in the regular season, used remarkable

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"My Biggest Tourney Thrill"—By First Five:

Coble: "The biggest thrill I got out of the tournament came in the Ryan game when I looked at the scoreboard, which showed that with only thirty seconds to play we had a four-point lead. It was, for a change, Ryan, not MBA, who was folding at the end."

Hawkins: "Finally winning a semi-finals game in the district

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Maroons Cop Second District Tournament

MBA Quint Shakes Tourney Jinx, Rolls To District Title

Opening up what promised to be the best tourney in which MBA has ever participated, the Red slipped by little Duncan by a narrow 39-29 count. Playing without the services of flu-ridden forward Charley Hawkins, the Maroon offense completely collapsed after the first quarter, and it was only the outstanding play of Billy Coble that saved the Big Red from emerging on the surprising end of a stunning upset. Coble hit 43% of his attempts from the field as he scored 18 points.

In the second round, the semi-finals, MBA slugged superstition in the face by defeating Ryan High 43-36. It was the first MBA semi-final victory in six attempts at the state title. Billy Coble, who shouldered the tourney scoring burden, led the scoring with 12 points, closely followed by Hawkins with 10. Try as they did, the Red could not halt the Panthers' high scoring center, Dewey Deason, a 21-point man for the night. Deason started everyone by dropping in 9 of 9 free throws.

In the Saturday night finals MBA knocked down the East Eagles 35-30. The district finals went into the regionals, but the game was hard fought throughout. Storton Oman topped the pointmakers with ten points, but Coble and Hawkins were right behind with 9 and 8 points, respectively. The student body turned out very strong behind the team in its appearances; this seemed to make the boys give all they had in the games.

38 Maroons Pull Down 1st Term 90s

Thirty-eight Academy boys had first-term averages of ninety or above, it was announced recently by the office.

One-two in the grade lists were a pair of Sophomores—Bill Hoffman (96.8) with David Strayhorn a half point away (96.3). In all, fifteen Sophomores reached the charmed circle. Next in line were the Freshmen with ten 90's or better, the Seniors with six, the eighth graders with four, the Juniors with two and the seventh graders with one.

The complete list:
Seventh grade: Robert Moody (90.4).

Eighth grade: John Davis (90), Derryberry (90), Lightfoot (91.8), John Sloan (92.8).

Ninth grade: R. Blackwood (92.3), Chaffin (90), V. Davis (90.3), Goar (92.8), Kirkpatrick (91.5), Litkenhouse (90.3), Patton (93.8), Shoup (92.9), Thomas (91), J. Williams (93.5).

Tenth grade: J. Anderson (92), Bibb (92.8), H. Blackwood (93.8), Cate (95.3), Cragon (91.4), J. Duncan (92.8), Elliston (90.8), Ewing (94), Hoffman (96.8), Ignatz (90.5), Johns (91), Martin (90.3), C. McNeilly (93.5), Pelletieri (90), Strayhorn (96.3).

Eleventh grade: Deck (93.3), C. McDaniel (90.5).

Twelfth grade: Bryan (90.8), Cantrell (94.8), Carney (93.5), Comer (91), Fox (90.3), R. McNeilly (93.5).

MY BIGGEST

(Continued from page 3, col. 5) tournament was my biggest thrill. In each of the three semi-finals games I'd played in before, we lost; getting into the finals at last really made me feel great."

Oman: "Beating Ryan and East and showing the way we could play after Duncan had almost upset us was my biggest tournament thrill."
Fox: "What thrilled me most in the tournament was breaking our semi-finals jinx at last by beating Ryan."

Gates: "Winning from Ryan in the semis was my biggest thrill; my biggest disappointment came when I heard that Coble hadn't been named the most outstanding player in the tournament."



Coach Allen seen with the victorious Big Red team after MBA had copped the District Tourney with a 35-30 win over East. Front row, l. to r.: Coach Allen, Storton Oman, Charley Hawkins, Carl Gates, and Inman Fox. Second row: Jimmy Ray, John Ackley, Charlie McDaniel, and Billy Coble. Last row: Francis Horn, and Bob McNeilly.

BOTTOM

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Newly initiated Freshmen appear at school with shaven domes . . . many note marked resemblance between Litkenhouse and cue-ball . . . Tension passes a subject . . . Sager declares day of rejoicing . . . Wilk and Kentone Gates to star in operetta . . . Parson Adams gives assembly talk . . . "Shaggy-Dog" Lance deeply touched . . . Cragon and Nisley hired as bouncers at Tropics . . . Does Jackie Duncan still like that ice cream? . . . Captain Country of the motorcycle patrol is called to active duty in Melrose section . . . Kingree brings in \$100,000 in royalties from "Mule Train" . . . Randolph can't wait till class-ring discussions . . . his new idea for a class ring is the best yet . . . Upon seeing Mike Black, a stranger remarked, "I thought this was a boy's school" . . . Freshman class sponsor causing quite a sensation among certain members of the Freshman class . . . Isn't that right, Wayne, Palmer, and Harold? . . . Thorpe and Younger

smuggle cokes into demerit hall . . . Thorpe and Younger sell cokes for outlandish prices . . . Thorpe and Younger talk while on rack . . . "I confess, Starkey Duncan did it" . . . Mr. Moody acclaimed as idol of Freshman class . . . Buntin's grades climb out of minus column . . . Bill Ward gets mad at Powerhouse (me no speak English) Ruth and almost frames him into entering speech contest . . . Jim Bass gets a laugh from the seventh grade as Tommy Bleavins says he has an idea . . . Bass replies, "Beginner's luck" . . . Flash Russell Brothers gets a demerit . . . correction, make it two . . . correction, make it five . . . correction, the end.

BIG RED

(Continued from page 3, col. 2) minutes remaining MBA led 35-30. The Maroon scoring for the season ended then, as the Jackets tightened their defense and barraged the goals for nine points in the fading minutes to win their way into the Regional finals.

Key Club News

With Lem Stevens calling signals this year's Key Club can predict nothing but smooth sailing. Many school projects have been planned and work is now being done on them.

A large composite of the football team is being made with small composites for each member of the team. This large composite will hang in the Honor Room with the other pictures.

Films, to be shown in assembly, have been suggested. A committee is working on this now. These films will be for the benefit of the boys as a part of their recreation.

A field day, later in the year, has been talked about. This project will take much careful planning and the cooperation of every student.

Another Bell-Hop is in the making. These informal dances are enjoyed by all and draw students from many other schools. The money from these dances goes to aid school projects and also to buy McNeilly new ties.

AWARD

(Continued from page 1, col. 1) in any company; a man with whom honor is sacred and virtue safe."

The S. A. E. award joins with the Henry A. Fitts award in presenting a new pair of plaques for this year's graduation ceremonies. The Fitts award was created by the '49 Seniors in tribute to the late Henry Fitts, last year's BELL RINGER editor. This award is for outstanding journalistic work.

WOOD QUINTET WINS

(Continued from page 3, col. 4) accuracy, plus rebounding and "unsurpassed teamwork" to wield their victory over the Williams five.

The championship team, composed of Dillard Adams, Bobby Graham, Eddie Montes, Marion Smith, Floyd Howell, and Wood himself, had a regular season record of victories over Warren's, McDaniel's, and Kelle's squads, respectively.

Williams' squad with John Adams, Bobby Hackman, Bill King, Matt Wills and Phil Baun was also unbeaten during the season, posting wins over the teams of Warren, McDaniel, and Kelle.

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